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SUBJECT: 62D ECOSOC--ITEM 13, NARCOTICS

1. FOLLOWING AS LAST PARA IS THE TEXT OF THE DRAFT RESOLUTION WHICH THE CANADIAN DELEGATION PLANS TO TABLE UNDER THE NARCOTICS ITEM. THE CANADIAN DELEGATION PROVIDED US WITH THIS ADVANCE COPY IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT IT IS AIMED AGAINST THE US BECAUSE OF THE CONSIDERATION BEING GIVEN TO CULTIVATION OF PAPAVER BRACTEATUM. THE CANADIANS ARE INTERESTED IN OUR OFFICIAL REACTION AND POINTED OUT THAT THE LANGUAGE OF PREAMBULAR PARA 5 IS SUBJECT TO DISCUSSION.

2. THE CANADIANS ARE NOT RUSHING TO TABLE THE RESOLUTION AND ASSUME THAT THEY WILL NOT DO SO FOR AT LEAST ANOTHER WEEK. HOWEVER, WE WOULD APPRECIATE DEPT COMMENTS AND PARTICULARLY REVISED LANGUAGE FOR PREAMBULAR PARA 5 TO PASS ON TO THE CANADIAN DELEGATION.

3. QUOTE ITEM II OF THE AGENDA

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RESTRICTION OF THE CULTIVATION OF POPPY

THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

RECALLING THE RECOMMENDATION ON "RESTRICTION OF CULTIVATION OF POPPY" ADOPTED BY THE COMMISSION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS AT ITS 27TH SESSION;

CONCERNED ABOUT THE POSSIBLY ADVERSE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL

EFFECTS OF POSSIBLE OVERPRODUCTION IN COUNTRIES WHERE POPPY IS
ALREADY CULTIVATED FOR LICIT PURPOSES;
MINDFUL OF THE VIEWS EXPRESSED DURING THE DEBATES OF THE
27 SESSION OF THE U.N. COMMISSION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS ON THE
LEGITIMATE WORLD REQUIREMENTS OF OPIATES;
EXPRESSING CONCERN OVER THE POSSIBLE CONSEQUENCES OF

CHANGES IN THE MODE OF PRODUCTION OF OPIATES IN THE WORLD, SUCH AS
BY THE REPLACEMENT OF THE TRADITIONAL CULTIVATION OF OPIUM POPPY
(PAPAVER SOMNIFERUM) WITH THE CULTIVATION OF PAPAVER BRAC-
TEATUM, AN EVENTUAIITY NOT COVERED BY THE INTERNATIONAL TREATIES
CONTROLLING NARCOTICS;
NOTING THAT CERTAIN GOVERNMENTS (INTERESTS) HAVE PROPOSED
ACTIONS WHICH, ALTHOUGH STRICTLY WITHIN THE RIGHTS OF
SOVEREIGN STATES UNDER THE TERMS OF THE INTERNATIONAL TREATIES,
AND DEALING WITH CIRCUMSTANCES NOT CONSIDERED TO BE COVERED
BY THESE TREATIES, HOWEVER DO CONTRAVENE THE SPIRIT OF THESE
TREATIES AND RUN COUNTER
TO THE AIMS OF THE COMMISSION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS
SINCE ITS INCEPTION, THAT IS, TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF COUN-
TRIES CULTIVATING OPIUM LEGITIMATELY IN ORDER TO LIMIT THE
RISK OF ILLICIT TRAFFIC.

1. URGES ALL GOVERNMENTS WHICH UP TO NOW HAVE NOT
CULTIVATED POPPY TO GIVE THESE VIEWS THE MOST CAREFUL CON-
SIDERATION IN TAKING ALL DECISIONS ON ISSUES RELATED TO THE
STARTING OF CULTIVATION OF PAPAVER BRACTEATUM FOR COMMERCIAL PURPOSES
;
2. URGES ALL GOVERNMENTS TO RECONSIDER AT THE
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HIGHEST LEVEL ANY DECISIONS IN PROCESS OR ALREADY TAKEN TO START
THE CULTIVATION OF PAPAVER BRACTEATUM FOR COMMERCIAL PURPOSES
IN THE LIGHT OF THE INTERNATIONAL EFFECTS OF SUCH ACTION
AS AN EXAMPLE WHICH WOULD PUT AT RISK THE EFFECTIVENESS OF
INTERNATIONAL TREATIES CONTROLLING NARCOTICS.
3. RECOMMENDS THAT THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TRANSMIT TO
ALL GOVERNMENTS THE OPINIONS AND PROPOSALS EXPRESSED DURING THE
DEBATES ON THESE ISSUES BOTH DURING THE 27TH SESSION OF
THE U.N. COMMISSION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS AND AT THE 62ND SESSION
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